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Friday, April 1, 2005

Congressman Scott to Address St. Philips Benizi Seniors Group :-Read Event Details

Saturday, April 2, 2005

Congressman David Scott to Host Reception for Military Academy Nominees

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TOP NEWS:

CBC Spouses Education Scholarship Deadline! *April 1*

The CBC Spouses Education Scholarship Fund was established in 1988 in response to federal cuts in spending for education programs and scholarships. This program provides tuition assistance to enable students to fulfill their higher education goals. The scholarships are awarded in the Congressional Districts of each member of the Congressional Black Caucus. This year marks the second that Congressman Scott has offered the CBC Spouses Education Scholarship to 13th District students. [Get More Info and Download the Scholarship Application!]

Congressman Scott to Host Reception for Military Academy Nominees. *April 2*

Congressman Scott will host a reception on Saturday, April 2, 2005 in his Jonesboro District Office to honor all participating students of the 13th District's second annual military academy nomination process. During the reception, Congressman Scott will announce his primary selections for student nominees to attend each of the four military academies.

[Get More Info and link to download 2006 Service Academy Nomination Application!]

Congressman Scott Hosts First Annual Jobs Fair! April 29

Congressman David Scott will host the First Annual Jobs Fair on Friday, April 29, 2005 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The fair will bring together Georgia's top employers from the public and private sector. This event will take place at the Georgia International Convention Center in College Park right off the I-85 and I-285 Camp Creek Parkway exits near the Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport. Job candidates will have the opportunity to be matched up for interviews right there on the spot!

[Get More Info!]

In Other News:

Congressman David Scott Rejects Bush Budget Cuts to Georgia

Mar 17 - Congressman David Scott voted against the House Republican budget resolution that cuts funding for vital Georgia programs and continues large deficits and spiraling debt. The Republican FY2006 budget resolution, H. Con. Res. 95, adds more than \$4 trillion to the deficit in the next 10 years while cutting billions in education, health care, housing, and environmental programs. H. Con. Res. 95 passed the House today by a 218-214, mostly party-line vote.

[Full Story]

Watch Congressman Scott's Floor Speech on the FY2006 Budget!

Full Text of Floor Speech on the Fiscal Year 2006 Budget

Congressman Scott Speaks Out Against Social Security Privatization

Feb 9 - Congressman David Scott spoke out against the Bush Administration's campaign to privatize Social Security and urged young adults and African-Americans to scrutinize the touted benefits of president's plan carefully.

[Full Story]

Watch Congressman Scott's Floor Speech on Social Security!

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▶ The House of Representatives is not scheduled to meet until April 4.

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Current Proceedings

Weekly House Schedule

Find out from the House Democratic Whip what bills and what amendments will be discussed on the House floor this week.

> Weekly House Schedule

Weekly Senate Schedule

See what bills and what amendments will be discussed in the Senate this week, courtesy of the Senate's official website.

The Senate is currently not in session and is not scheduled to meet until April 4.

Senate Calendar

Recent Votes and Legislation:

Week of March 14 - 18

H.Con.Res. 95, Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for FY2006:

The \$2.5 trillion Republican FY2006 budget resolution, which adds more than \$4 trillion to the deficit in the next 10 years while cutting billions in education, health care, housing, and environmental programs.

Amendments:

Rep. Hensarling offered a five-year substitute amendment that includes deeper cuts to domestic discretionary (by 2% compared to FY 2005) and mandatory programs (\$125 billion reduction over five years) than the Nussle Budget, but matches the underlying resolution on defense and homeland security funding. This amendment also protects an additional \$100 billion in tax cuts under reconciliation, while maintaining large budget deficits and rejecting real budget enforcement pay-as-you-go rules. This amendment also resurrects many of the Republican Study group budget process reform goals that were defeated during budget process reform debate last year, such as:

reorganizing budget functions, super-majority points of order against new spending, and one-sided pay-as-you go rules that would also exempt borrowing trillions of dollars in new debt to fund transition costs for privatizing Social Security.

■ DS voted AGAINST amendment; amendment failed 102-320

Rep. Spratt (D-SC) offered a Democratic Substitute Amendment that achieves a balanced budget, provides real budget discipline, and protects Social Security. The substitute provides matching resources for Defense and Homeland Security, and more resources than the GOP budget in domestic priorities such as veterans, community development, education, environment, local law enforcement and health care, with responsible tax policy that promotes economic growth and jobs for working Americans.

DS voted FOR amendment; amendment failed 165-264

Rep. Scott (D-VA) offered a five-year substitute amendment that produces lower deficits and less debt than the GOP budget, while increasing funding for key programs to America's communities, and restores fiscal responsibility to the federal budget process. The Amendment restores cuts and funds increases in specific domestic areas such as: full funding for No Child Left Behind, and increased funds for school construction, Pell Grants, Head Start, job training, community and regional development programs, juvenile justice, child nutrition programs, urban and rural Community Health Centers, aeronautics and science research and development, Amtrak, and Hope VI and Section 8 Housing Programs. To pay for these increases, the amendment raises revenue by closing tax loopholes and abusive shelters, corporate tax incentives for off-shoring jobs, reducing tax avoidance, rescinding recent tax cuts for people who earn over \$200,000 and maintaining the limitation on itemized deductions and the phase-out of personal exemptions for high income taxpayers. Furthermore, this amendment redirects savings from the Ballistic Missile Defense program (\$7.8 billion) in 2006, to homeland security, veterans, and programs supporting the troops and their families.

DS voted FOR amendment; amendment failed 134-292

* Scott voted AGAINST H.Con.Res. 95; H.Con.Res. 95 passed 218-214

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H.R. 1268, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Iraq and Afghanistan and Tsunami assistance

The legislation marks the third major supplemental appropriations bill since U.S. military operations began in Iraq. If enacted, Congress will have appropriated more than \$275 billion for military operations and reconstruction activities in Iraq and Afghanistan.

This bill provides \$81.1 billion in emergency FY2005 funds for military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, tsunami relief efforts, foreign assistance programs and domestic homeland security priorities. The total includes \$76.8 billion for defense related expenditures; \$656 million in direct assistance for tsunami disaster relief and \$222 million to reimburse the U.S. military for expenses incurred in providing emergency relief to tsunami victims; \$1.3 billion for relief and reconstruction efforts in Afghanistan, and \$1.3 billion to train and equip Afghan security forces and the Afghan Army; \$92

million for humanitarian assistance in Darfur; \$580 million for peacekeeping programs; \$200 million in economic assistance for the Palestinian Authority; \$749 million for additional State Department operating costs. H.R. 1268 also increases the military death gratuity from \$12,000 to \$100,000 and subsidized life insurance benefits from \$250,000 to \$400,000 for families of soldiers who died or were killed on active duty beginning from 10/7/01. The bill also provides \$656 million for tsunami relief and recovery, and \$222 million to reimburse the U.S. military for its tsunami-relief operations.

Scott voted FOR H.R. 1268, as amended; H.R. 1268 passed 388-43

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